



Hello from Activities...

As we are getting closer to the holidays, please help your family member make a Christmas list! Every year, the staff gets together and does a “Secret Santa” for the residents and we need some ideas of what they are interested in having! There is a list placed on their closet door that you can write the ideas on. 😊

Last month the residents enjoyed being able to see the costumes of all the little “ghosts and goblins” who came during Trick or Treat night. The residents themselves even had a Halloween party that consisted of Halloween Bingo, popcorn, and root beer floats! We learned a lot about candy corn, pumpkins, and Halloween trivia over the month of October.

This month in honor of Veterans Day, we will be hosting a Veterans Day program and Mike Flatness will be speaking to the residents. We have 5 Veterans in our facility and 6 spouses of Veterans. We like to be able to take this time to thank the Veterans for their service, and acknowledge the spouses as well, for their contribution while their loved one was serving our country.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and we are going to be making a “Thankful” window. The residents are going to get together and write what they are thankful for. We will post it on the Activity Room window for everyone to see. Staff and family are welcome to join in on this activity as well! The staff and residents are looking forward to having our “Friendsgiving” this month also. This allows us to all sit down together, enjoy a great meal and fellowship. Lots of laughter is also on the menu!

Hailey & Trish



Veteran's Day ~ November 11th

We would like to give a shout out and send a huge thank you to:

- Clarence Kirchhoff was in the Army and started serving in 1948. He was deployed in Germany.
- Richard Von Bank was in the National Guard and served from 1959-1964.
- Edward Soucek was in the Army and served from 1957-1958.
- James Bamrick was in the Army and served in the Korean war and WWII.
- Gordon Wickwire was in the Army and served for 2 years in Iceland.

The spouses of a Veteran that had served:

Joyce Trimbell	Dorothy Johnson
Rose McClemons	Doni Brecke
Agnes Voss	June Wickwire
Marilyn Cook	Peggy Jones



Below is the Care Conference schedule for the months of November and early December. We invite family members to attend, so please call to schedule a time. For your convenience and ours, we limit the time to 30 minutes per conference.

November 2 nd , 2023	November 9 th , 2023	November 16 th , 2023
Jeffery Boyes	No Care Conference	Joyce Trimbell
Agnes Voss		Janice Fullerton
Dorothy Poland		
November 23 rd , 2023	November 30 th , 2023	December 7 th , 2023
No Care Conference	Gordon Wickwire	Clarence Kirchhoff
	June Wickwire	Rose McClemons
	Laura Gail Etzen	Darlene Berk



Employee November Birthdays

Marguerita Abujobarah – 2nd

Stephanie Bittner – 6th

Dianne Poole – 29th

November Anniversaries

Bonnie Krause – 24 years

Cindy Staudt – 16 years

Teya Adams – 7 years

Dianne Poole – 7 years

Hello from Nursing...



As we are getting into the cold and flu season there are several things that we can do to help mitigate illnesses like Influenza, RSV, COVID and intestinal flu. The first step is vaccinations. In October, we administered flu shots to residents and staff. We will also be giving RSV, pneumonia and COVID vaccines this month. They will be spaced out and not given all at the same time.

The second step is washing your hands. That is one of the most effective ways to stop the spread of germs. The third step is to stay home if you have a temperature or experiencing any symptoms. Most of these illnesses are viruses and not treated with antibiotics.

November is Antibiotic Awareness Month which helps raise awareness about antibiotic resistance and the importance of proper antibiotic use. Through our Antibiotic Stewardship Program, we use a system called "SBAR". This system is used by the nursing staff to communicate with the Doctor. The acronym SBAR stands for:

- Situation: The current situation that resident is experiencing.
- Background: Provide clear, relevant background information on the patient.
- Assessment: State your professional conclusion, based on the situation and background.
- Recommendation: Tell the person with whom you're communicating what you need from him or her, in a clear and relevant way.

We have SBARS for URI—upper respiratory illness, STI-skin infection and UTI—urinary tract infections. This tool helps with residents not being prescribed unnecessary antibiotics. Antibiotics are only needed for treating certain infections caused by bacteria. Antibiotics are not used for viral illnesses and are treated based on symptoms.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please call.

Happy Thanksgiving!

IP Team



